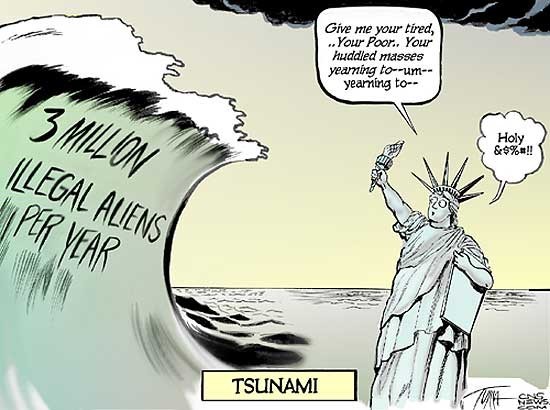
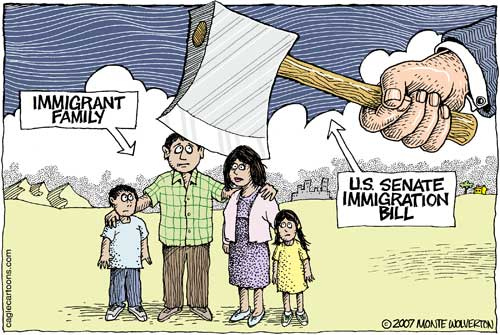
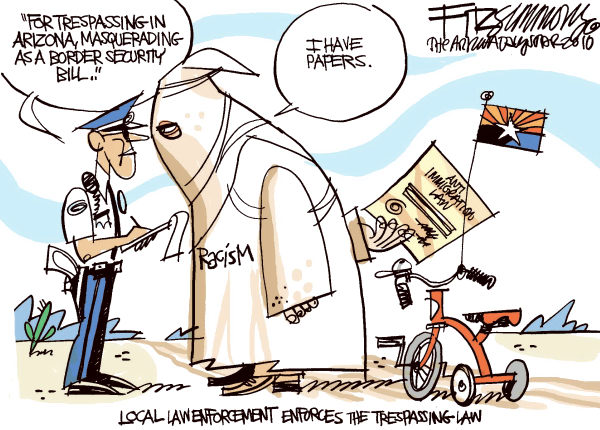
* Some of the most intelligent and ambitious individuals, who are unsatisfied with their own countries, bring their skills to America.
* Immigration increases the diversity and expands the culture of the country.
* Immigrants often taken the low-paying jobs (like food service & hotel cleaning) that most Americans don't want to do at such low wages.
* Decreasing or eliminating *legal* immigration will inevitably create more incentive to come to the country *illegally*, which leads to less assimilation and fewer taxpaying, law-abiding citizens.
* It improves the overall image of America internationally, as it is seen as an open, welcoming country; and immigrants who return home or maintain contact with family back home have a true image of America, not the one propagandized in much of the international media.
* Adding an additional group of cheap labor adds to the flexibility of business, leading to cheaper prices, better quality products, and higher profits.
* It gives struggling people all over the world an opportunity for a better life. This country was built on immigrants who sought opportunity, political & religious freedom, etc.
* More immigrants means more opportunity for terrorists, drug dealers, and other criminals to enter the country.
* Immigrants, especially the poorer ones, consume a high amount of government resources (health care, education, welfare, etc.) without paying a corresponding high rate of taxes.
* The national identity and language is disappearing. The great "melting pot" is being replaced by divisive multiculturism.
* The emigration to the United States hurts the home country, as much of the male population, workers, and top intellectuals often leave their country.
* Less-skilled American citizens earn less money and have fewer job opportunities because they must compete with immigrants in the job market.